

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0079189**  
**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**  
for

**CITY OF VISALIA**  
**WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY**  
**TULARE COUNTY**

The City of Visalia owns and operates a Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF), a Publicly Owned Treatment Facility or POTW within the meaning of the Federal Clean Water Act and implementing regulations. The WWTF provides sewerage service to the City of Visalia and the community of Goshen and discharges secondary treated wastewater to a series of onsite ponds, to an adjacent 900-acre walnut orchard, and to Mill Creek, a water of the United States. The Regional Water Board will consider renewal of NPDES Permit No. CA0079189 to authorize continued discharge at a **formal** public hearing concerning this matter during its meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 20/21 September 2006  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Dr #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Water Board
- City of Visalia

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **4 August 2006**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit such comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **4 August 2006**. Written testimony or comments submitted after **4 August 2006** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

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All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair

Anyone having questions on the proposed City of Visalia Wastewater Treatment Facility permit renewal should contact Geoffrey Anderson at (559) 445-5919. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/tentative>. These documents may also be inspected and copied at the Regional Board's office at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_laws/index.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board\\_meetings/mtgprocd.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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LOREN J. HARLOW, Assistant Executive Officer

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